



MINUTES
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PARK COMMISSION SPECIAL
MEETING
Tuesday, August 11, 2026, 6:00 pm
Service Center Conference Room

REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
 - A. Chair Nardo-Farris called the meeting to order at 6:20 PM.
2. ROLL CALL
 - A. Present: Chair Nardo-Farris, and Commissioners Lick, McDonald, and Stephens
 - B. Staff present: Parks and Recreation Director Wisinski and Administrative Assistant Pachucki
 - C. Guest present: Consultant Mike Hoffmeister from Mannik-Smith
 - D. Absent: Commissioner Phelps – excused
3. PRESENTATION
 - A. Meridian Township Parks & Recreation 5-Year Master Plan Draft Survey Results
 1. Consultant Hoffmeister from Mannik-Smith reviewed the masterplan process with the Park Commissioners and shared what steps had previously been completed, and then what still needed to be accomplished. The survey will continue to collect feedback through the end of August, and Mannik-Smith will compile the results in September. Consultant Hoffmeister then shared the preliminary results from the survey. Commissioners noted that the demographics of the survey were missing key insights from specific groups (families with children, those under the age of 25, etc.)
4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Parks & Recreation 5-Year Plan Priorities
 1. Consultant Hoffmeister asked the Park Commissioners what their priorities were in the next five years. Commissioners discussed limiting land acquisition except in cases of connectivity to existing parks, preserves, and pathways; culturally reflective spaces that represent all members of the community; inclusive, accessible spaces in both design and programming; and continuing to maintain and grow partnerships with existing organizations and groups.

Commissioner McDonald left the meeting at 7:25 PM.
5. ADJOURNMENT
 - A. Chair Nardo-Farris adjourned the meeting at 7:33 PM.

All comments limited to 3 minutes, unless prior approval for additional time for good cause is obtained.

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